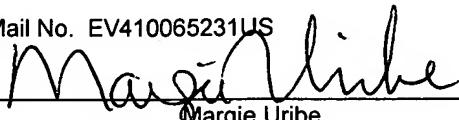


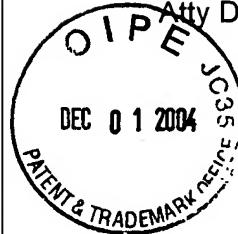
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated November 9, 2004, having a shortened three-month response period and for which an RCE is filed herewith, please amend the above-captioned application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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